

REMARKS

This Response is submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2004. The Office Action requires Applicants to elect between one of seven groups of alleged invention. IN this regard, the following groups have been set forth: Group I (Claims 1-22); Group II (Claims 23-26); Group III (Claims 27-32); Group IV (Claims 33-38 and 57-62); Group V (Claims 39-44 and 57-62); Group VI (Claims 45-50 and 57-62); and Group VII (Claims 51-62). In response, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I (Claims 1-22).

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications to the non-elected claims.

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